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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further examination of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Page 1, after the title please insert the following paragraph:

THIS APPLICATION IS A CONTINUATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PCT/EP02/08897, FILED AUGUST 8, 2002 WHICH CLAIMS PRIORITY OF GERMAN PATENT APPLICATION S.N. 101 39 285.0 FILED AUGUST 9, 2001.